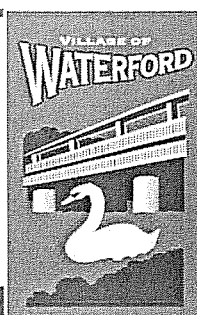


Village of Waterford Quarterly Newsletter

January—March 2010



Calendar of Events

January

- 1-Village Hall closed
 - 5-Deadline for turning in Nomination papers for Village Trustee
 - 6-First day to use new garbage carts
 - 31-First installment of tax payment due
- ### February
- 16th-Primary Election
- ### March
- 6-Chamber of Commerce Home and Commerce Show
 - 14th-Daylight Savings Time begins at 2:00 a.m. Spring Ahead!



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Talkin' Trash

When will service with John's Disposal start?

John's Disposal Service, Inc. was awarded the garbage/recycling contract for the Village. We are very excited to be working with them. John's has assured Village personnel that the transition from manual to *automated* service will be smooth. John's will be delivering two 96 gallon carts to each resident starting on December 21st. Waste Management will continue to provide garbage and recycling services December 23rd and December 30th. John's first day of service with the automated carts will be January 6th, 2010. The brown cart is for garbage and the green cart is for recycling. We are confident that residents will love all the extra room these carts provide and that mandated recycling will increase in volume. The collection schedule will stay the same. Collection will take place weekly for garbage and bi-weekly for recycling with Jefferson Street as the dividing line.

Where should the carts be placed for automated service?

Please be aware of the placement of the carts at the curb. The arrows on the lid of the

information, a drop site calendar and so much more. **Please keep this information for future reference.**

What if I want a smaller cart?

All Village residents are encouraged to embrace the 96 gal carts that are being issued. However, if you feel this size is just too big, there is a 48 gal cart available after April 1st. Each resident who chooses to change sizes must contact John's Disposal directly at 888-473-4701.

New John's Carts
Delivered: Starting December 21st

Waste Management Last Pick-ups:
December 23rd and December 30th

John's First Cart Pick-up
January 6th, 2010

**CARTS SHOULD NOT BE USED
UNTIL JOHN'S FIRST PICK-UP ON
JANUARY 6TH, 2010.**

cart must point to the street; the garbage cart should be placed within 2 ft. of the street on one side of the driveway and the recycle cart should be placed within 2 ft. on the street on the other side of the driveway. Please remember to keep 6 ft. of clearance between the carts and other objects, especially mailboxes, poles and vehicles. Any trash outside of the cart will not be picked up. Remember, we're *automated* now!!! When the carts are delivered, there will be a plastic bag attached to the handle containing recycling information, service schedule, contact

What do I do with my Waste Management recycling bin?

Residents are currently utilizing green recycle bins from Waste Management. Residents may keep the bins or drop them off at the Public Works building. If residents are interested in obtaining extra bins for purposes other than recycling they may stop at the Public Works Building and pick them up if available.

What changes in service will occur at the Drop Site?

Along with the change in

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Waterford Library ADULT PROGRAMS

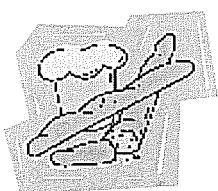
Understanding Medicare 2010

Thursday, January 7 @ 2:00pm

Saturday, February 6, @ 10:00am

Thursday, March 11 @ 2:00pm

Three informational seminars will be held at the library. The sessions will provide an update on the 2010 changes in Medicare and an overview of your coverage options under Medicare A, B, C, along with the federal Part D drug plan. Please RSVP by calling @ (262) 534-3988 or email the library @ escherrer@waterford.lib.wi.us



Fabulous Bread, Soup & Salad with Staci Joers

Thurs, Jan. 28,
6:00-8:00 pm

Combat winter with **comfort food!** And nothing says comfort like hearty soup and warm bread! Cooking instructor Staci Joers will demonstrate how to mix fresh dough to bake a delicious loaf in just a few minutes. You'll sample Artisan-style breads such as *Herbed Baguette* or *Whole Wheat Peasant Loaf*, served up with *Italian Wedding Soup*, *Simple Italian Salad*, and *Chocolate Glazed Brownies* for dessert. The cost of this program is \$20.00. To save your spot call: (262) 534-3988 or email the library @ escherrer@waterford.lib.wi.us Don't delay; the deadline is January 20th and this yummy class fills up fast!

Building a Better Budget

Thursday, February 18, 6:30-8:00pm

A budget is the most powerful finance tool you can have. After identifying short-, mid-, and long-term goals, participants will learn how to design realistic spending and savings plans. Within that framework, we will discuss

options available for getting out of debt, staying out of debt, and maintaining motivation. This is a free workshop. Refreshments will be served. RSVP by calling @ (262) 534-3988 or email the library @ escherrer@waterford.lib.wi.us

Basics of Selling on



Sat., March 13, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Ebay-certified sales specialist Mardi Timm will present a two hour workshop on selling items on Ebay. Subjects to be discussed in the presentation include: pricing, writing descriptions, pictures, getting paid, following the listing, packing and shipping, and feedback. Mardi will also happily answer any other questions you may have about selling for a profit on Ebay. Reserve your spot by calling (262) 534-3988 or email the library escherrer@waterford.lib.wi.us

2010



Each month titles are placed on hold for the club. Discussions are held the last Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:15 in the History Room. Please call (262-534-3988) to reserve a book and your spot.

January 27

Truck, a Love Story,

by Michael Perry

February 24

So Brave, Young

& Handsome, by Leif Enger

March 31

Three Cups of Tea,

by Greg Mortenson

Crafting Classes

Rubber Stamping Techniques

to make your own Cards

Technique: Emboss Resist

Thursday, Jan. 21, 5:00 – 7:45 pm

We'll make 3 greeting cards using this technique. Cost: \$15. Bring your own adhesive or buy some

from the instructor. If you have your own heat gun, bring it with you and an extension cord also. Class fee and registration deadline: Saturday, January 16th.

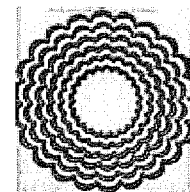
Copic Markers

Saturday, Feb. 13, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm



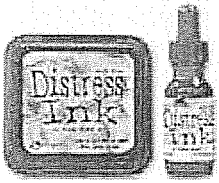
Learn to use Copic Markers from an Accredited Copic Instructor. You'll learn what papers and inks work best with Copics; plus how to understand the Copic coloring system and use the Colorless Blender. Your stamped images will have dimension and beauty when you learn how to blend these alcohol inks. We'll practice the techniques and then put it all together by making one card. Bring the Copic markers you might already have. You will need 4 specific colors for the card image. If you don't own those specific colors (and a Colorless Blender), the instructor will order them for you (the cost is about \$5.25 each – for a total of \$26.00). Class fee and registration deadline is Wednesday, January 20. When you register, indicate if you want to order the specific colors required for the class. Cost of class: \$10. Cost of any markers and the Blender will be in addition to the class fee.

Technique: Using Spellbinder's Cutting and Embossing Dies



Thurs., February 25, 5:00 – 7:45 p.m.

We'll make 3 greeting cards using Spellbinder dies. Cost: \$15. Bring your own adhesive or buy some from the instructor. If you have your own a Cuttlebug (plus plates) or Sizzix (plus plates), bring them!



**Technique:
How to use
Tim Holtz
Distress
Inks and
Ranger
Alcohol Inks**

Thursday, March 25, 5:00 – 7:45 p.m.
We'll make 3 projects in this class.
Cost: \$15. Bring your own adhesive or buy some from the instructor. And if you have them, bring your own non-stick craft sheet, a pair of detail scissors, and a heat gun with an extension cord. March 20th is the deadline for registration and class fee payment.

**Chainmail
Earrings –**



Weaving with Jump Rings

Monday, March 8, 5:30-7:30pm

Students will create 3 unique pairs of earrings while learning how to create with jump rings. This is the perfect class to get you started with chainmail jewelry. The skills learned here are foundational and will train you for other chainmaille classes. Class fee of \$30 includes sterling silver earwires and Argentium sterling silver jump rings to create 3 pair of earrings. Step-by-step instructions will be available for use during class. Limit of 8 students per class. All skill levels welcome. **Students must bring the following tools:** 2 smooth jawed jewelry pliers; two flat nose OR one flat nose and one chain nose pliers. The earrings can be viewed at Waterford Public Library. **Class fees are non-refundable and nontransferable & must be paid upon sign up to reserve your spot.** Call Waterford Library @ (262) 534-3988 to register.

Needlework Group

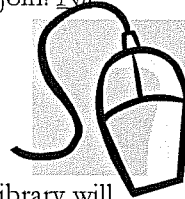
The group meets every Wednesday in the History Room at the library from 12:30-2:00 pm. If you need a little help or have a craft to share,

this is the group to join! No registration is required.

**Basic Computer
Class - Part 1**

*Wed., January 20 @
10:00am or 2:00pm*

Waterford Public Library will offer two sessions of hands-on Basic Computer Skills – Part 1. Students will learn about Basic computer terminology, using the start menu, single and double clicking, scroll bars, using a mouse & keyboard and other aspects of basic computer operation. Registration is required. Deadline to register is Monday, January 6th. Class is limited to 8 students. Call the library @ 534-3988 to register.



Basic Computer Class - Part 2

Wednesday, February 17

@ 10:00am or 2:00pm

Students will learn to how to insert text and erase text, move text up and down the computer screen and master the blinking cursor. Registration is required. The deadline to register is Monday, February 3rd. Each Class is limited to 8 students in each session. Call the library @ 534-3988 to register.

**Hands-on Basic Computer
Class - Part 3**

Wednesday, March 17

@ 10:00am or 2:00pm

Students will learn how to send, receive and reply to messages. E-mail addresses, inboxes and other basic functions of e-mail stems will be discussed. Registration is required. The deadline to register is Monday, March 3rd. Each session is limited to 8 students. Call the library @ 534-3988 to register.

Digital Camera Club

3rd Wednesday, monthly @6:00pm

Would you like instruction, guidance and inspiration to improve your personal photos? Then join WPL's digital camera club! Adult members decide each

month what the next topic will be. Call Waterford Library @ (262) 534-3988 to register.

Donations 4th Quarter

Richter's Sentry
Runzheimer Intl.
Friends of WPL
David Lazarus
Memorial
Ria Bachmann
Memorial



Roundy's Supermarkets Inc.
Evy Schiller Memorial
Marcia A. Jerde Memorial
Sue Bessette Donation

These generous donations allow the library the ability to enhance our collection and make building improvements beyond our budget affords. We are very appreciative of every gift mentioned above.

WINTER BLAHS?

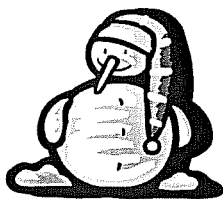


If you're looking for something creative to fill these long winter days with fun, check out the

Friends craft kits and project displays in the library. You'll find seasonal and holiday craft kits and ready-made items for all ages at reasonable prices. Items include children's jewelry, stamps, magnets, stickers, ornaments, decorations, hand-knit items and much more. The selection changes monthly so take a peak whenever you stop in. The shop is located in the copy machine area – right across from the library's check-out desk. Proceeds go toward the enhancement and benefit of the Waterford Library. This is a fun way to support your library!



Waterford Library Children's Programs



Lap-Sit Storytimes

*January 6 or 7, January 20 or 21,
February 3 or 4, February 17 or 18,
March 3 or 4, and March 17 or 18.*
Lap-Sit Storytimes are available to
all children under three-years-old
with their caregiver. Storytime
includes sign language, stories,
finger plays, and songs for
toddlers. It starts at 9:15 and runs
for about twenty minutes.

Pre-School Storytime

Pre-school storytimes are held the
first three weeks of each month
on Wednesdays and Thursdays.
Three-year-olds will be welcome
at the 10:00 sessions; four- and
five-year-olds are welcome at the
10:45 sessions. Both sessions will
run for 30 minutes and will
include sign language, stories,
songs, fingerplays, movement and
a craft. Registration is required.
Call, stop in,
or e-mail
(tc Cox@waterford.lib.wi.us) to
register.

Movie Events @ the Library



Tuesday, January 12 @ 6:00 pm.
Bring your whole family for our
special movie events. January's
new release movie showing could
bring strange weather. Movie
dates for February and March will
be announced on our website and
in Children's Department with
handouts available in the library.
Popcorn and soda is served at all
movies. Please check the library's
website or stop in at the library
for movie titles.

Building Blocks Storytime

*Monday mornings - 9:30 to 10:15am
from January 11 through February 15.*
Building Blocks is a musical
storytime meant for children ages
0 – 4 and their families, hosted by
Linda Breuer from Family
Smart/Kid Friendly and Love,
Inc. Books and musical activities
engage both the adults and their
children. The program is free and
registration is not required.

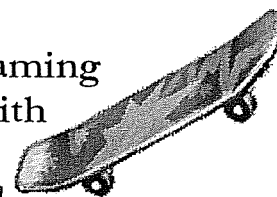
Family Story Times

*Tuesday, January 12 @ 6:00pm
Tuesday, February 9 @ 6:30pm
Tuesday, March 9 @ 6:30pm*
All family members are invited to
come to our monthly family
storytimes. The January event
will include a reading of Cloudy
With a Chance of Meatballs
followed by a showing of the
movie. In February we'll
celebrate Happy Endings.
Stories, songs, and movement
activities will all be planned as a
part of this 30 minute storytime.
Join us dressed as your favorite
fairy tale character! Decisions of
all kinds will be examined in
March as a part of our Yes, No,
Maybe So theme.

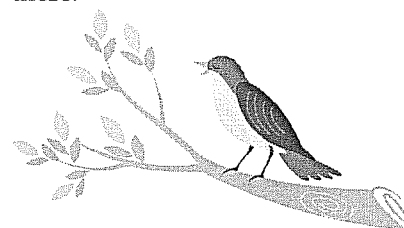
Teen Advisory Board

The mission of the Waterford
Public Library Teen Advisory
Board is to meet and discuss
topics of interest to teens, teen
material selection, and teen
programming. Any student in
grades 8 – 12 can volunteer to
participate in our monthly
meetings. Other volunteer
opportunities are available for all
members. The Teen Advisory
Board will meet on January 19 at
4:00. Contact Emily at
escherrer@waterford.lib.wi.us
with any questions you may have
or if you are interested in joining.

Wii Gaming Fun with Tony Hawk!



Friday, Feb. 26, 1:00-3:00pm
Join us for an action-packed
gaming event to try out the ride
board controller and show off
your moves! Children must be 8-
years-old to remain in the library
unattended. Parents and other
grown-ups are welcome to come
and play with us. Reminder: there
is no school on this day. See you
there!



Upcoming Spring Break Events!

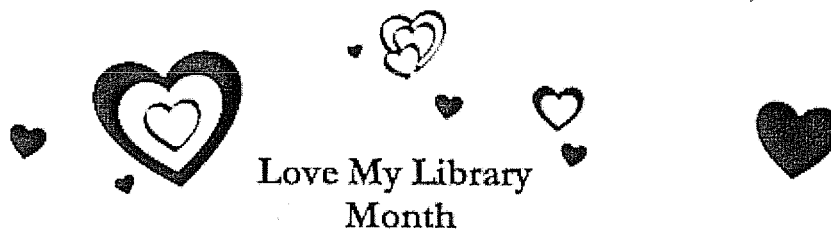
Watch for a spa day for teens and
A Wimpy Kid Trains a Dragon
Party for Elementary age kids
over spring break! More events
may be posted as it gets closer.
Watch the website and the teen
blog for further details.
www.waterford.lib.wi.us



January 1, 2010

Dear Friend,

In 2009, the Friends of the Library membership drive raised over \$2400 when area families and individuals supported *Love my Library Month* with their annual membership contributions. Once again, in the spirit of Valentine's Day, the Friends of Waterford Public Library have designated February:



Become a member of *The Friends of Waterford Public Library* during the month of February and you will also be entered in a drawing to win a surprise gift package. In addition, your name will be placed on the bookplate of a new book as a 2010 donor.

The mission of *The Friends of Waterford Public Library* is to enhance library collections and programs with their support. Throughout 2010, *The Friends of WPL* will continue to welcome new members and look for creative new ways to support the library. Please support our mission by becoming a member today!

Sincerely,

Peggy Denman

Peggy Denman
Treasurer
The Friends of Waterford Public Library

Turn in your donation and completed form at the library or mail to:
Friends of Waterford Public Library, 101 N. River St., Waterford, WI 53185
Checks should be made payable to: **Friends of Waterford Public Library**

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Annual Membership:

____ Business Membership \$50
____ Family Membership \$35
____ Individual Member \$25
____ Senior Citizen \$15
____ Student \$10
____ Other \$ _____

I'm willing to help with:

____ Special events
____ Clerical Work
____ Planning
____ In-kind contributions

2009 PROPERTY TAX FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Closed for the Holidays on December 24, 25, & January 1, 2010

Special Hours Thursday, December 31 – 8 a.m. to Noon

How are my taxes determined?

Though the assessed value of your property affects your share of taxes, the actual amount you pay is determined by the budget needs of the schools, village, county, technical college, and state. All of these taxing units decide what services they will provide in the coming year and how much money they will need to provide those services. This amount is divided by the assessed value of all Village property minus the school tax credit to arrive at the net tax rate. The tax rate is the rate that is necessary to raise sufficient money from the property tax to meet the levy. The levy is determined by totaling all expected sources of revenue such as state aids and shared revenues, license fees, etc. This amount is then subtracted from the estimated expenditure figure and the remainder must be raised from the property tax.

Where do my tax dollars go?

Although your tax payments are made to the Treasurer, a large share of your tax dollars are turned over to the other government units such as the schools, county, technical college, and the state. (*See pie chart*) Taxes also pay for Village services such as Public Safety, Public Works, Administration, and the Library.

How do I get the Lottery Credit?

If you believe that your parcel qualifies and the credit is not on the tax bill, let us know before we process your payment. You will need to complete the lottery credit application; they are available on our website at www.vi.waterford.wi.gov or in our office. Adjustments to the tax bill can be made at the time of payment. **LOTTERY CREDIT FOR 2009 - \$92.94**

What is the First Dollar Credit?

Every taxable parcel in the State of Wisconsin qualifies for the First Dollar Credit provided that property contains a building (improvement). This includes business, commercial and private property. Unlike the Lottery Credit, the property does not need to be the primary residence of the owner. Personal property does not qualify for the credit. You do not need to apply for the credit; it will automatically be included on your tax bill. **FIRST DOLLAR CREDIT FOR 2009 - \$81.47**

Do I need to endorse my escrow check?

If you are listed as the payee or co-payee on your escrow check, you must endorse the check. If more than one payee is listed, every payee listed must endorse the escrow check. The Treasurer or any other Village Official does not have the authority to sign over an escrow check for any reason; escrow checks can only be applied towards a tax bill.

What do I do if my escrow check from my mortgage company is not enough or too much to cover the amount due?

If the check is not enough to pay the first installment, you are responsible to pay the difference by January 31. Any escrow checks over the full amount of the taxes will be accepted, but a refund will require 10 working days to process. The check for tax payment must clear before a refund will be mailed. Refunds will be sent to the property owner of record.

When is the real estate tax bill due and do I have to pay the whole bill?

There are two payment options after receiving your bill:

Full Payment Option:

BY JANUARY 31, 2010 to the Village of Waterford Treasurer

Installment Option:

First Installment: BY JANUARY 31, 2010 to the Village of Waterford Treasurer

Second Installment: BY JULY 31, 2010 to the Racine County Treasurer

It is very important to use the stubs at the bottom of your bill when paying each installment so that your payment is applied to the correct parcel.

What determines a timely payment?

To be considered a timely payment, your tax payment must be received by the Village Treasurer on or before January 31, 2010, or your mailing envelope must be postmarked no later than January 31, 2010. Payments made in person February 1, 2010 will be considered timely.

How do I make out my check and where do I send it?

To save time waiting in line, send payments to Village Treasurer, 123 N. River St., Waterford, WI 53185. Please include the remittance tax stubs with all payments. **Receipts will only be mailed if a self-addressed postage paid envelope is included with payment.**

Can payments be made in person?

Payments made in person at the Clerk/Treasurer's office on or before **December 31** will be recorded as received in 2009. Payments made in person **January 2nd** or after will be accepted as paid in 2010.

What if I cannot mail the payment in time or make it in person before you close?

There is a payment depository box located on the left side of the Village Hall main entrance at 123 N. River Street. This depository will be available all hours and weekends and will be checked during office hours. **PLEASE DO NOT DEPOSIT CASH.** Please include remittance tax stubs with all payments. **Tax payments received in the depository box up to 5:00 p.m. on December 31 will be recorded as being paid in 2009.** Tax payments received in the depository box after February 1, 2010 will be considered delinquent and forwarded to the Racine County Treasurer for processing.

Can I pay by credit card or electronic check over the internet or telephone?

To pay your taxes by credit card or electronic check, call the toll-free number, 1-800-2PAY-TAX (1-800-272-9829), or visit our website at www.vi.waterford.wi.gov for the link to Official Payments Corporation. Official Payments Corporation, the credit card service provider, charges a 2.75% convenience fee on the amount of the transaction. To use this service you will be required to enter the jurisdiction code **6724**, your **fifteen-digit real estate/personal property parcel number** (found on the front of the tax bill) as well as your **credit card information**. Internet or phone payments will not be allowed after **January 31, 2010**.

Credit or debit card payments cannot be accepted in person.

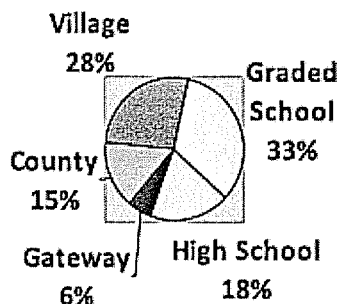
How can I change the ownership name on the bill?

Contact the County Register of Deeds, 730 Wisconsin Ave, Racine WI 53403 (262) 636-3208

**Mill Rate Per Taxing Jurisdiction
(Per Thousand Dollars Assessed)**

Tax Year	State	County	Village	Graded School	High School	Gateway	(Less) State School Credit	Total Mill Rate
2005	\$.21	\$5.65	\$6.57	\$5.83	\$3.54	\$1.49	(\$1.26)	\$22.03
2006	\$.21	\$3.96	\$6.98	\$8.03	\$4.35	\$1.47	(\$1.57)	\$23.43
2007	\$.21	\$4.06	\$7.24	\$8.27	\$4.62	\$1.48	(\$1.82)	\$24.06
2008	\$.21	\$4.02	\$7.42	\$8.40	\$4.62	\$1.49	(\$2.14)	\$24.02
2009	\$.20	\$3.93	\$7.41	\$8.77	\$4.88	\$1.52	(\$2.18)	\$24.53

Rate is rounded to nearest \$.01

Village of Waterford**2009 Distribution of Tax Dollars**

News you can use from the Clerks Office by Vikki Zuehlke, Clerk

Elections in 2010 are February 16th, April 6th, September 14th and November 2nd. At this time, "early voting" is still done as Absentee Voting and can be utilized for each election at least 3 weeks prior to the election date. In 2010, we will be voting for the County Executive, School Board members and local officials. The Fall election will be the Governor's Primary and the Governor's election. If you are not registered, you should register at the Village Hall in the clerk's office. You can request an absentee ballot for any or all elections at any time. You can also download the absentee ballot request at our website at www.vi.waterford.wi.gov.

If you have any interest in becoming an **Election Inspector** and helping out at the elections, please contact Vikki Zuehlke, Clerk at 534-3924.

If it wags, it needs a tag!!



Tax time is a great time to license your pets. All cats and dogs who live in the Village must have a license. The fees are \$10 for neutered or spayed and \$15 for those that are not neutered or spayed. The required fee along with proof of rabies vaccination are due by March 31 to avoid a late fee of \$5.

Village ordinance allows for two pets in the Village of Waterford. If you have a third animal, you must complete a Special Permit for Third Animal application. The application fee is \$25 plus applicable license fees.

While out walking your dog, please take an extra moment to pick up after your pet and respect the property of others. Most dog owners are conscientious about their responsibility, but those who are not spoil it for every-

one. Vacant lots are owned by someone and should not be used for your pets dumping grounds. All pets must also be on a leash. ♦



WATERFORD COUNTS

2010 CENSUS: IT'S IN OUR HANDS

The foundation of our American democracy is dependent on fair and equitable representation in Congress. In order to achieve an accurate assessment of the number and location of the people living within the nation's borders, the U.S. Constitution mandates a census of the population every 10 years.

The census population totals determine which states gain or lose representation in Congress. It also determines the amount of state and federal funding communities receive over the course of the decade. 2010 Census data will directly affect how more than \$4 trillion is allocated to local, state and tribal governments over the next 10 years. In order for this funding allocation to be accomplished fairly and accurately, the goal of the decennial census is to count everybody, count them only once, and count them in the right place. The facts gathered in the census also help shape decisions for the rest of the decade about public health, neighborhood improvements, transportation, education, senior services and much more.

10 Questions, 10 Minutes to Complete

With one of the shortest questionnaires in history, the 2010 Census asks for name, gender, age, race, ethnicity, relationship, and whether you own or rent your home. It takes only about 10 minutes for the average household to complete. Questions about how we live as a nation — our diversity, educa-

tion, housing, jobs and more — are now covered in the American Community Survey, which is conducted every year throughout the decade and replaces the Census 2000 long-form questionnaire. Responses to the 2010 Census questionnaire are required by law. All responses are used for statistical purposes only, and all are strictly confidential. For more information, visit the 2010 Census Web site at <http://www.census.gov/2010>.

Census Jobs Available

Apply now to be a census taker!

Work up to 40 hours per week in a temporary, part-time job with the 2010 Census and enjoy good pay, flexible hours, mileage reimbursement, and the chance to serve your community. Call the toll-free number today 1-866-861-2010 or visit their website at: www.2010censusjobs.gov



Help Wanted:

There is an opportunity to receive funding to educate our children on the dangers of using drugs and alcohol. Waterford has lost students to these dangers already. TEAM needs your help by completing a survey to receive this funding to educate Waterford's students and parents.

Please e-mail Jackie Strelow for a copy of the survey:

jjis@runzheimer.com

Talkin' Trash-Continued

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garbage/recycling service, another change will take place on January 1st. The drop site that we have come to know and love will close for the winter months. This change comes about due to the ever rising costs associated with operating the drop site. The drop site will be open for **yard waste only** from April 1st thru November 30th, alternating Wednesdays and Saturdays. A schedule will be included with the information that will be delivered with your carts and is available on the Village's website at www.vi.waterford.wi.gov.

Does disposal of yard waste at the Drop Site require a permit?

An annual permit fee of \$20.00 has also been implemented. This will help offset the operating costs associated with the drop site. Permits are available at the Village Hall, Monday through Friday from 8AM – 5PM. Residents must provide proof of residency at time of purchase. Replacement permits will cost \$20.00. Be sure to put your permit in a safe place! As in the past, the permit will adhere to the windshield of your vehicle for easy identification when visiting the drop site. Residents will not be able to utilize

the drop site without a permit.

Questions?

All Village personnel would like to thank each resident in advance for their patience and cooperation during this transition. We will do our best to address each and every concern in a timely manner. Please feel free to contact John's Disposal at 888-473-4701 or the Department of Public Works at 262-534-4069 with questions or concerns. We are looking forward to this wonderful change within our Village and hope you are too!!♦

Adopt a Fire Hydrant

Every second counts when the Waterford Fire and Rescue department is called to a fire. As winter approaches, help the Fire Department by adopting the fire hydrant closest to your home or business and keep it free of snow this winter.

At a fire, the Fire Department must quickly locate and gain a water supply

source from the closest fire hydrant. If it is buried by snow, it is difficult to find and valuable time is spent digging it out. The delay in gaining a water supply from a fire hydrant may be a life or death situation.

You can help the Fire Department by keeping the snow clear from around the hydrant and shovel a path from

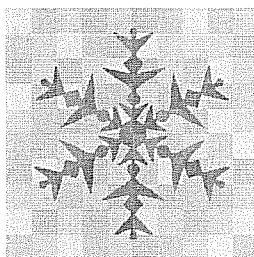
the street or roadway up to the fire hydrant.

Contact the Fire Department at 534-3911 if you have any questions about adopting a fire hydrant .♦



Precious time is lost clearing snow

Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!



The snowplows have been out in full force these past couple of weeks with all the winter

snow falling. The Department of Public Works thanks you for your patience while they were out cleaning up the streets after all of the snow that fell on the Village.

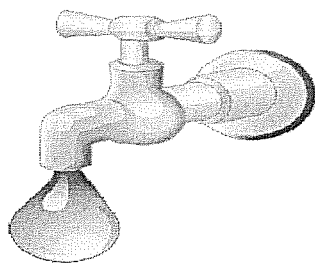
Since the snow has started to fall, it's a good time to remind residents that sidewalks must be shoveled and kept free of snow and ice within 24 hours

after a snowfall. Also, when shoveling your driveways, please do not throw the snow back into public roadways. This only delays Public Works Staff in getting the snow removed in a timely manner. Your snow-like your drainage-belongs on your land to be disposed of there.

During the winter months it is also very important to adhere to the Odd/Even parking. It is especially important to follow the odd/even side parking in the winter months so plows can get through when cleaning up after a snowfall.

Residents are no longer required to get a parking permit, but must still park on the correct side of the street. A good tip to remember where to park is if you are parking before midnight, park for whatever the date is after midnight. The Racine County Sheriffs Department is usually out between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. issuing citations.

The Department of Public Works thanks you for your patience and assistance during these long winter months.♦



WATER & SEWER UTILITY

The Village Water & Sewer Utility is located at 801 Ela Avenue, under the water tower in the Industrial Park. The office is open 7:00 am to noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Please feel free to stop in or call us at 534-4069 if you have any questions about your account or about Utility operations.

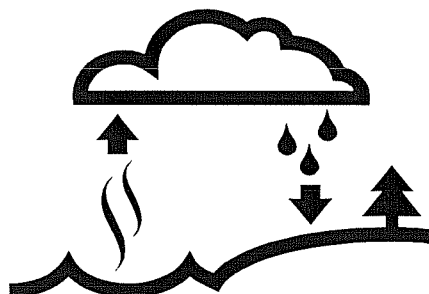
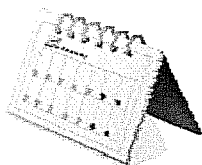


SEASONAL RESIDENTS WATER & SEWER

When requesting your water and sewer services to be turned off, the new Public Service Commission rate schedule states a resident will pay the quarterly meter charge. A resident is still able to request the Utility to turn off the service at no charge. The resident will pay a reconnection charge during normal working hours in the amount of \$25.00 schedule number BW-1, amendment number 19 effective 1/1/2009.

BILLING DATES

Water and sewer bills are mailed quarterly, usually about one week before January, April, July and October 1st. Payment is due on the 20th of each of these months. To avoid a 3% penalty, payment must be received or postmarked by the due date. You may mail the payment, pay in person at the Utility office or use the drop box in front of the building for after hour payments.



DID YOU KNOW?

Water has five cycles: evaporation, condensation, precipitation, infiltration and surface run off.

In a 100-year period, a water molecule spends 98 years in the ocean, 20 months as ice, about two weeks in lakes, rivers, and less than a week in the atmosphere.

Most of the earth's surface water is permanently frozen or salty.

Water is the only substance that is found naturally on earth in three forms liquid, gas and solid.

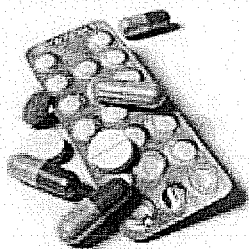
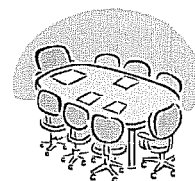
Frozen water is 9% lighter than water which is why ice floats on water.

SUMP PUMP VIOLATIONS

During heavy rains, the Utility experiences a large increase in sanitary sewer flows. Much of this is due to groundwater entering the sewers from sump pumps in private homes. Many people are unaware that it is illegal to discharge a sump pump, roof drain or any other source of groundwater into the sanitary sewer system. Unnecessarily high flows result in higher costs to all users. With your cooperation, we can keep these costs down. Check your sump pump to make sure that it is not pumping into the sanitary sewer. If your sump pump is running to a floor drain, or is connected to the sewer in any way, it must be redirected to run out on to the ground. Violators are subject to fines as high as \$500 per day.

COMMISSION MEETINGS

The Water & Sewer Commission meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Utility office at 801 Ela Avenue. Special meetings may be held occasionally to discuss important issues. Meetings are open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend.



DON'T FLUSH THOSE MEDS!!

Please do not discard old medication by flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash. Save them in their original containers in a safe place. The Western Racine County Health Department is offering a medication drop off site, see the advertisement on page 9 of the newsletter. They will accept old medication and prescriptions, including pet medication so they can be disposed of safely. This service is free of charge. Please help to keep our water safe and healthy now and in the future.

Village of Waterford
Water and Sewer Utility
 801 Ela Avenue
 Waterford, WI 53185

Telephone: 262-534-4069
Fax: 262-534-3554

Water Rates Effective 6/11/08
Sewer Rates Effective 12/21/09

Quarterly Service Charges

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Water Charge</u>	<u>Sewer Charge</u>	<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Water Charge</u>	<u>Sewer Charge</u>
5/8 inch	18.00	38.64	3 inch	111.00	498.18
3/4 inch	18.00	38.64	4 inch	177.00	825.31
1 inch	24.00	88.52	6 inch	225.00	1102.90
1-1/4 inch	30.00	129.05	8 inch	309.00	1418.01
1-1/2 inch	42.00	168.07	10 inch	441.00	
2 inch	60.00	268.60	12 inch	573.00	

Volume Charge

WATER	First 40,000 gallons	\$2.50 per 1,000
	Next 360,000 gallons	\$2.20 per 1,000
	Over 400,000 gallons	\$1.25 per 1,000
SEWER	Domestic sewage	\$3.60 per 1,000

Billing Codes

RE - Residential
CL - Commercial
IN - Industrial
PB - Public Authority
FP - Fire Protection

Quarterly charge for secondary meter for water only, no discharge to sewer

5/8 inch meter	\$ 8.10 per quarter
3/4 inch meter	\$ 8.10 per quarter
1 inch meter	\$ 10.80 per quarter
1-1/4 inch meter	\$ 13.50 per quarter
1-1/2 inch meter	\$ 18.90 per quarter
2 inch meter	\$ 27.00 per quarter
Initial Meter Installation/Inspection Charge - \$30.00	

Private Fire Protection Service – Unmetered

2-inch or smaller connection	\$ 24.00
3-inch connection	\$ 45.00
4-inch connection	\$ 74.00
6-inch connection	\$ 148.00
8-inch connection	\$ 237.00
10-inch connection	\$ 357.00
12-inch connection	\$ 474.00
14-inch connection	\$ 591.00
16-inch connection	\$ 708.00

Bulk Water Sales - Temporary hydrant connection-\$30.00 Volume charge-\$2.50 per 1,000 gallons

Outside Customers – Water customers outside the Village of Waterford limits will be billed at the regular rates for service plus a 25% surcharge.

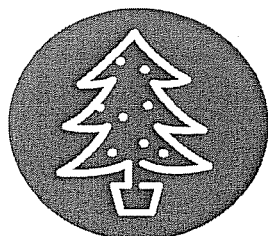
Penalties – Bills are rendered quarterly and become due and payable upon issuance following the period for which service is rendered. A late payment charge of 3%, but not less than \$0.50, will be applied to any unpaid balance for the current billing period's usage.

Non-Sufficient Funds Charge - \$20.00 will be applied to the customer's account when a check is returned for non-sufficient funds.

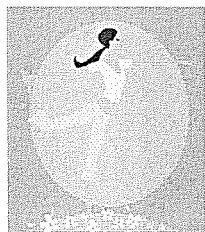
If you have questions, please call the Village of Waterford Water & Sewer Utility at 262-534-4069. Office hours are 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. For after hours emergencies, call 262-534-2511

CHRISTMAS TREES

After Christmas, please place your trees at the curb. The trees will be chipped by the Department of Public works on the Friday of the week your recyclables are picked up.



Annual Health & Fitness Challenge to begin February 1st!



The eight-week community Challenge that is known for stirring up friendly competition amongst businesses and community groups will begin on

February 1st and run through March 26th. The Challenge, sponsored by the Western Racine County Health Department, always proves to be a fun reminder to participants of the importance of regular physical activity and healthful food choices in a supportive team environment.

This year's fitness theme will be "Recession-Proof Fitness," and will encourage low-cost healthy eating and exercise, as well as financial fitness.

Participating is fun, easy, and there is no cost involved! All participants will

be eligible to win great prizes and incentives for participating, and maybe develop some new healthy habits along the way. Businesses—check with your health insurance provider! Some companies offer a discount if your employees participate in a Wellness program.

If interested in participating in this year's Fitness Challenge, set up a team of four member and select an individual from your group or organization to be the Coordinator. The Coordinator will help encourage and recruit teams to sign up for the Challenge as well as report team points to the fitness challenge director each week. Have the Coordinator register your group by contacting Julia Emily Bair by phone at (262) 763-4937 or by e-mail at julia.bair@aurora.org. You can also obtain a registration form online at www.wrchd.org. Please register by

January 27, 2010. Once registration is received, the Coordinator will receive a Coordinator's packet with additional details.

There will be an informational meeting on this year's Fitness Challenge on Monday, January 25 at 5:30 pm at the Western Racine County Health Department, located at 156 E. State Street in Burlington. You do not need to attend the informational meeting to participate in the Challenge; it will be an opportunity to meet other participants, ask questions, and to prepare for your 8 weeks towards health and wellness.

For further information contact:

Julia Emily Bair
Western Racine County
Health Department
(262) 763-4937
julia.bair@aurora.org ♦

Fifteenth Annual Home and Commerce Show

We invite you to join our 15th annual show on March 6th, 2009. We have grown each year and are extremely proud of last year's show. Because of you, the exhibitors and the more than 3000 individuals attending, the show was a tremendous success.

We welcome back hundreds of Exhibitors, Taste of Waterford, Kid Zone, Entertainment, Sponsorships and a great Show Program. We are offering a "How to prepare for a trade show" program free to WACC members and Home & Commerce participants. For your convenience this free

seminar will be offered two times on Thursday January 21st from 8 am to 9:30 or from 4-5:30 pm.

For advertising, participation or admission information, please visit the chamber website at www.waterford-wi.org or call 262-534-5911.

Waterford School District's New Recreation Director



Please join us in welcoming Susie Schuyler as the Recreation Director of the Waterford Graded School District. Mrs. Schuyler is an active part of the school

the graded and middle school students. Her experience coordinating these activities as well as her marketing education will definitely be an asset to the Recreation Department. Please contact Ms. Schuyler if you have any ideas to add to the Waterford Recreation Department Schedule.

On the next page are Up and Coming Events offered through the Waterford Parks and Recreation Department.

Please visit their website to download a registration form and send form to:

Waterford Park and Recreation
819 West Main Street
Waterford, WI 53185

Please visit our website for up-to-date information and registration form:
www.waterford.k12.wi.us/recreation

district as the PTO Vice President. In her past leadership roles, she organized several school activity events for

Upcoming Waterford Recreation Events and Classes

Ski & Snow Board Club

We will hit the slopes at Alpine Valley on Friday evenings. Your kids can enjoy an evening of winter fun!

Days: Friday nights on December 11, 18, January 8, 15, 22 and 29.

Place: Alpine Valley **Cost:** \$15 per night. You are allowed one free lesson on club night.

Men's Basketball – Open Gym

Stop in any Wednesday night and fill out the registration form and pay that night.

Open Gym Dates: December 9, January 6, 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17 & 24, March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

Times: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Place: Fox River Middle School **Cost:** \$3 per person

Red Cross babysitting certification

This course, taught by the Red Cross, will help you learn the responsibilities of a baby sitter and much more. You must be at least 11 years old to take this course.

Day: January 9, 2010

Place: Evergreen School **Cost:** \$60

Kids ZUMBA/Zumbatomic

Sure, chillin' out is cool. But rockin' out is a blast! That's why you're gonna love the Zumbatomic fitness program for kids. It's a fast-forward fusion of the Zumba program's moves salsa, cumbia, reggaeton, hip-hop and more.

Days: Wednesday starting January 13, 20, 27 February 3, 10 & 17

Place: Evergreen School **Cost:** \$30

Mom & Tot Swim

Why not spend some quality time in the 86 degree warm water of the Baymont Pool. Your little ones will get to interact with "friends" their age and you will have the great opportunity to meet other moms in the area!

Days: Tuesday mornings starting January 12, 19, 26 & February 2, 9 & 23

Place: Baymont Hotel in Waterford **Cost:** \$32

Waterford Kidz Klub

This is a great opportunity to spend time with friends and meet new friends as well! New activities will be planned for each session.

Days: December 20, January 17, February 21, March 21, April 18 & May 16. (Third Sunday of the month)

Place: Tichigan Lake Lion's Club Civic Center Corner of Hwy. 164 and Beach Drive **Cost:** \$32

Adult Computer Classes

Tailored computer classes to fit your needs! Beginning PC, Part 1 covers terminology, learning the components of the desktop, saving and retrieving files, creating and deleting folders and shortcuts, copying and pasting files, plus basic computer maintenance and more!

Days: Thursdays starting January 13, 20, 27 February 3, 10 & 17

Age: Adults-Seniors

Time: 6:00-7:00 p.m. Thursdays

Place: Evergreen School Library **Cost:** \$35

Taekwondo Classes

Train in the Korean martial art of Taekwondo! It teaches practical self defense as well as self respect, discipline and confidence. Makes a great family activity! Beginners of all ages are welcome.

Days: Monday's starting January 11-February 15

Times: 6:30-7:45

Ages: 6 years -adults

Place: Trailside Gym **Cost:** \$45

Fit & Firm

In this class you will use dumbbells, versa tubes and a large exercise ball. The ball provides a variety of balance, core training and strength and flexibility exercises. Please bring a mat, dumbbells and a large exercise ball

Days: Tuesday & Thursday starting January 12-February 18

Time: 5:30-6:15 pm

Ages: HS & Adult

Place: Trailside School Gym **Cost:** \$36

Dance & Tone

This class combines aerobic exercise and strength training. Please join us for 30 minutes of choreographed dance routines, 20 minutes of strength training and 10 minutes of stretching & relaxation. Please bring water, weights, a large exercise ball and a mat.

Days: Tuesday & Thursday starting January 12-February 18

Time: 6:15-7:15 pm

Ages: HS & Adult

Place: Trailside School Gym **Cost:** \$40

Trim & Tone

This is a total body conditioning class guaranteed to tone you up, it's for all levels. Please bring 2-5 lb. dumbbells and a towel or mat.

Days: Monday & Wednesday starting January 11-February 17

Time: 4:00pm-4:50pm, or 6:00pm-6:50pm

Ages: HS & Adult

Place: Woodfield Gym **Cost:** \$36

Adult ZUMBA

The Zumba program fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy-to-follow moves to create a one-of-a-kind fitness program that will blow you away. Zumba is an absolute blast in one exciting hour of calorie-burning, body-energizing, awe-inspiring movements meant to engage and captivate you!

Days: Wednesday starting January 13, 20, 27 February 3, 10 & 17

Times: 5:30pm-6:30pm

Price: \$35 per person

Age: Ages 13 years - Adults

Place: Evergreen School Gym

Girls Team Cheer Program

Learn the basics of cheerleading, cheer motions, tumbling, and jump technique and more!

Days: Tuesday starting January 12, 19, 26 February 2, 9 & 16

Times: 3:34-5:00 pm

Price: \$30 per person

Grades: 3-6

Place: Trailside School Gym

Smoke Detectors Save Lives

The Waterford Fire and Rescue Department feels it's a tremendous life saving factor for residents to have good working smoke detectors in every home. Any village resident that does not have a smoke detector in their residence can contact the Fire Department and they will install one free of charge. The number to call is 534-3911 or 514-7019.

A good rule of thumb to remember with smoke detectors is to change the batteries at daylight savings time, twice a year. If your smoke detector starts chirping or beeping off and on, it's time to change the batteries.

You should also test your smoke detector once a month. It is not recommended to test your detectors by using a candle or smoke from a match. This can shorten the life of your detector.

The next time you are at the store, purchase extra batteries so that you always have some on hand. It's an important life saving task that should never be put on hold. All smoke detectors should be

replaced after ten years.

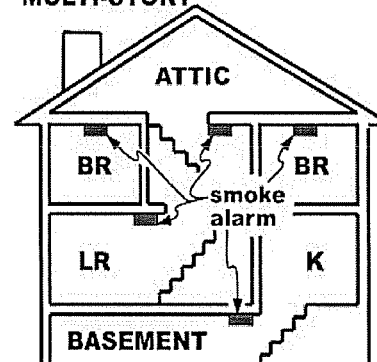
If a smoke detector goes off in your home, you have very little time to respond. There is absolutely no time to gather possessions and pets. Your best response is to leave the home immediately, gather at a pre-arranged meeting place and call 911 from a neighbors home.

It's best to have at least one working smoke alarm on every level of your home, including the basement and family room.

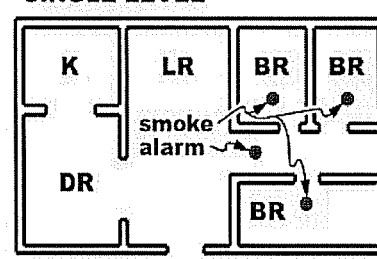
To help your smoke alarm to remain sensitive to smoke and ready to protect you, gently use a vacuum cleaner once a month to remove dust and cobwebs. If your smoke alarm has been accidentally painted or contaminated, you may need to replace it. It only takes a couple of minutes to follow these guidelines and you could save a life.♦

PLACE ONE SMOKE ALARM ON EVERY FLOOR AND SLEEPING ROOM

MULTI-STORY



SINGLE LEVEL



Waterford Chamber Tour of Homes Returns in 2010

With great excitement The Waterford Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce the following enhancements to the Holiday Tour of Homes...

Beginning 2010, the Holiday Tour of Homes will be joining forces with the Christmas in the Village.

These two events were a perfect match, and combining them can only help to draw more excitement & focus into the Waterford area. Joining these events has also provided the opportunity to partner with other great community businesses and leaders to truly create a one of kind experience for all participants.

As in years past – the Tour of Homes relied on the generosity and spirit of Waterford home owners who embraced the season and opened their homes to others. With our new “Bigger and Better” yuletide event, we

have double the need for participation.

Currently we are looking for:

Home owners who would be interested in having their home open to the public for the Holiday Tour

Home owners & crafters who would be interested in opening their home for selling Homemade items, Seasonal Crafts and baked goods

If you would like to participate or be considered for either event, please contact chamber representative Ruth Leenstra at 262-514-2472 or rleenstra@wi.rr.com.



Western Racine County Immunizations & Free Blood Pressure Clinics

Administration Fee will be charged for all immunizations:

*Resident = \$10 per visit. Maximum charge of \$30 for a resident family.**

*Non-resident = \$15 per visit. Maximum charge \$45 for a non-resident family**

Blood Pressures are free-

January 2010	<u>Date/Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
1/13/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
1/18/10	Waterford Library, 101 North River St, Waterford	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
1/20/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
1/25/10	Norway Town Hall, 6419 Heg Park Road, Wind Lake	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
1/28/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
February 2010	<u>Date/Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
2/10/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
2/15/10	Waterford Library, 101 North River St, Waterford	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
2/16/10	Dover Town Hall, 4110 S. Beaumont Avenue, Kansasville	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
2/17/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
2/25/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
March 2010	<u>Date/Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
3/10/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
3/15/10	Waterford Library, 101 North River St, Waterford	5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
3/17/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
3/22/10	Norway Town Hall, 6419 Heg Park Road, Wind Lake	5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
3/25/10	Western Racine County Health Dept., 156 East State, Burlington	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

IF you are interested in the H1N1 Free Vaccination – Please call for availability!

Children's vaccines available for administration fee only: Chicken Pox, Diphtheria, Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, Hib Meningitis, HPV, Measles, Meningococcal, Mumps, Pertussis, Pneumococcal, Polio, Rotavirus, Rubella, and Tetanus.

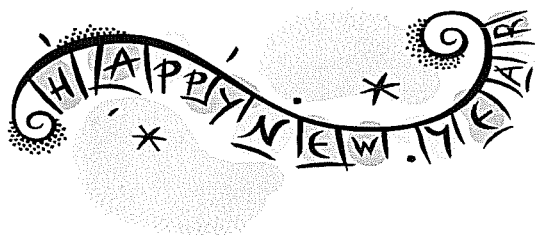
**Administration fees may be waived.*

Adult's vaccines available: Tetanus (available for administration fee only) , Hepatitis B (\$40 plus administration fee) and TB Skin Test (\$10 plus administration fee, must call 24 hours in advance to schedule).

***Questions can be directed to Western Racine County Health Department
at 262-763-4930 or 800-688-4930***

www.wrchd.org

*The Village of Waterford staff wish
you a safe and*



We're on the web
www.vi.waterford.wi.gov

Administrator	534-3980
Clerk or Treasurer	534-3980
Library	534-3988
Public Works	534-4069
Water/Sewer	534-4069
EMERGENCY SEWER (after hours)	534-2511
EMERGENCY FIRE/RESCUE/POLICE	911
Day Shift Police Officer (Non emergency)	534-3911
Racine Co. Non-Emergency	534-2511
Safety Building	534-3911
(Fines & Court Information)	
Fire/Rescue Information	534-5930
(Non-emergency)	
Rescue Billing Questions	514-5930
Fire Chief	514-7019
Fire Inspectors	534-6623
	534-3655
Building & Plumbing Inspector	534-7911
Electrical Inspector	534-3981
Community Health Dept.	763-4930
Tax Assessor	534-3003
Time Warner Cable	1-800-933-4662
John's Disposal	1-888-473-4701
Waterford Post Office	534-3255

Village Board : 2nd & 4th Monday each month in the Village Hall, 123 N. River Street **6:30 P.M.**

Finance Committee: 2nd Monday of each month in the Village Hall, 123 N. River Street **5 P.M.**

Water & Sewer Commission: 2nd Wednesday each month, DPW Building, 801 Ela Ave. **6 P.M.**

Plan Commission: 3rd Wednesday each month, Village Hall, 123 N. River Street **6 P.M.**

Community Development Authority: 1st Monday *as needed*, Village Hall, 123 N. River Street **6 P.M.**

Personnel Committee: 3rd Monday of each month, *as needed*, Village Hall, 123 N. River Street **7:30 A.M.**

Public Works Committee: 3rd Monday of each month, Village Hall, 123 N River Street. **4 P.M.**

Library Board of Trustees: 2nd Tuesday each month in the Library History Room. **4:30P.M.**